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SUBJ: US AID SURVEY ROUNDUP

REFS: A) MOGADISCIO 0865; B) MOGADISCIO 0826 (NOTAL)

1. US AID SURVEY TEAM COMPLETED EIGHT DAYS INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS
IN AND AROUND MOGADISCIO JUNE 1. ATMOSPHERE OF VISIT, MEASURED IN
TERMS ACCESS TO GSDR OFFICIALS AND DOCUMENTATION (WHAT WAS AVAILABLE)
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TRAVEL TO NEARBY PROJECTS AND RESETTLEMENT CENTERS AND FREEDOM MAKE
AD HOC CONTACTS IN AND OUT OF GOVERNMENT, WAS EXCELLENT THROUGHOUT.
IN CONTRAST TO HIGHLY-STRUCTURED KELLY/LIEBERSON VISIT 1976, GSDR
OFFICIALS SEEMED GO OIT OF THEIR WAY BE AS FORTHCOMING AND FLEXIBLE
AS POSSIBLE. THIS UNDOUBTEDLY REFLECTED ATTITUDE AND INSTRUCTIONS
OF PRESIDENT SIAD (REFTEL B), AND REINFORCED IMPRESSION EMBASSY/

TEAM MEMBERS THAT GSDR DESIRES EARLY RESUMPTION US AID PROGRAM.

2. FOLLOWING INITIAL MEETING WITH STATE PLANNING COMMISSION (SPC) CHAIRMAN WEIRAH (REFTEL A), SPC ARRANGED MEETINGS WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE, MINING AND WATER RESOURCES, HEALTH, HIGHER EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND LIVESTOCK, NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SOMALIA, WATER DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, MOGADISCIO WATER AGENCY, NATIONAL ORGANIZATION AGRICULTURE AND TRACTORS AND RANGE MANAGEMENT AGENCY. TEAM VISITED KURTIN WAAREY RESETTLEMENT CAMP, AFGOI RESEARCH CENTER, UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE, AGRICULTURAL TRAINING CENTER AND SEVERAL OTHER AGRICULTURE ESTABLISHMENTS IN AFGOI AREA. VICE PRESIDENT KULMIYE RECEIVED TEAM FOR GENERAL SURVEY AND WEIRAH CONDUCTED FINAL ROUNDUP MEETING ATTENDED BY OFFICIALS RELEVANT MINISTRIES. IN ADDITION, EMBASSY ARRANGED MEETINGS WITH UNDP, WHO, WFP, UNICEF, UK AND EEC REPRESENTATIVES. AMBASSADOR PARTICIPATED IN MEETINGS WITH VICE PRESIDENT AND WEIRAH, UNDP, UK AND EEC. TEAM ALSO HAD NUMEROUS INFORMAL CONTACTS, E.G. UK DELEGATION AND IBRD OFFICERS.

3. VICE PRESIDENT EMPHASIZED BROAD RANGE AREAS IN WHICH US COOPERATION COULD BE USEFUL. HE EXPRESSED HOPE PRACTICAL RESULTS COULD FLOW UNIMPEDED BY EXCESSIVE BUREAUCRATIC PROCEDURES. WE SUMMARIZED AREAS OF CURRENT AID EMPHASIS AND SAID THERE WERE SOME AREAS IN WHICH ACTION COULD BE FAIRLY RAPID BUT EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE ORDERLY PROCEDURE AND CAREFUL PLANNING FOR EFFECTIVE ACTION.

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4. AT FINAL SESSION, WEIRAH NOTED THAT TEAM HAD SEEN MANY OFFICIALS COVERING BROAD RANGE SOMALIA'S NEEDS AND ASKED FOR REVIEW OF REQUESTS RECEIVED AND LIKELY US RESPONSE. GULICK EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR COOPERATION OF ALL DESPITE SHORT NOTICE. HE SAID ALL REQUESTS WOULD BE REPORTED AND SUGGESTED KEEPING AREAS OF DISCUSSION FAIRLY BROAD AT THIS STAGE. SUBJECT TO FOREGOING, HE INDICATED US CAPACITY AND SOMALI NEEDS APPEARED TO COINCIDE IN FOLLOWING AREAS:

A. FAIRLY QUIC

1) FOOD - SPECIFIC REFUGEE AND/OR DROUGHT RELIEF NEEDS OR GENERAL TITLE I REQUIREMENT

2) TRAINING, EITHER IN US OR AFRICA

B. LONGER RANGE

1) COMPLEX OF ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT FOOD PRODUCTION, INCLUDING RESEARCH, TRAINING, EXTENSION AND ADVISORY SERVICES.

2) TSETSE CONTROL

3) RESOURCE INVENTORY USING LANDSAT IMAGERY FOR WATER RESOURCE, LAND USE AND PERHAPS MINERAL DEVELOPMENT.

- 4) PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING TRAINING FACILITIES, LOGISTICS AND PERHAPS INFANT INNOCULATION.
- 5) POSSIBLE CO-FINANCING OF PROJECTS DEVELOPED WITH IBRD.

5. WEIRAH, WITH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER OFFICIALS, INDICATED GSDR PRIORITIES COVERED FOOD, AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, WATER DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH, AS FOLLOWS:

A. HE PROVIDED ROUGH FIGURES INDICATING SUBSTANTIAL UNCOVERED CY-77 NEED FOR COARSE GRAIN, RICE HUND OIL.

B. HE STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, EXTENSION AND TRAINING INDICATING THAT GOVERNMENT WAS RECEPTIVE TO IDEA OF CLOSE INTEGRATION. HE SUGGESTED THAT AID FUNDING PICK UP CONTINUATION OF PRESENT MUCIA UNDP/FAO PROJECT IN EXPANDED SECTOR PROGRAM.

C. ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, HE STRESSED AGRICULTURAL INPUTS, PARTICULARLY EQUIPMENT FOR SERIES OF 74-78 PLAN PROJECTS WHICH
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ARE PROGRESSING SLOWLY.

D. HE URGED US CONSIDERATION OF JUBA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, PARTICULARLY FINANCING OR CO-FINANCING OF MAJOR BARDERA DAM PROJECT.

E. WATER DEVELOPMENT, BOTH URBAN AND RURAL, WAS CRITFAL: INCLUDING MOGADISCIO WATER EXPANSION AND EVELOPMENT INTEGRATED WITH RANGE AND LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT.

F. ON HEALTH, ASSISTANCE NEEDED ON PHC SYSTEM EXPANSION, TRAINING, LOGISTICS AND SUPPLIES AND LABORATORY FACILITIES IN SELECTED REGIONS.

6. GULICK AND OTHERS INDICATED THAT SOME PROPOSALS LIKELY TO INVOLVE PROBLEMS E.G. LARGE EQUIPMENT SUPPLY PROGRAM UNRELATED TO SPECIFIC JOINT PROJECTS, FINANCING BRITISH CONSULTANT COSTS OF INTERIM MOGADISCIO WATER EXPANSION, WELL DEVELOPMENT OUT OF CONTEXT OF INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION PLAN. ON JUBA DEVELOPMENT WE INDICATED THAT EXTENDED AND INTENSIVE STUDY WOULD BE NECESSARY, INCLUDING REVIEW OF FINAL STUDIES FOR EEC SACCO DAM PROJECT AND OTHER RELATED PLANS AND STUDIES. OTHER-WISE, SOMALI PROPOSALS SEEMED TO PROVIDE SUBSTANTIAL BASIS FOR MORE DETAILED JOINT PLANNING EFFORT.

7. IN LIGHT ABOVE, EMBASSY/TEAM RECOMMEND CONSIDERATION FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

A. PL-480 TITLE I AND TITL II: TOTAL CY-1977 FOOD IMPORT REQUIREMENTS NOT COVERED BY DONOR COMMITMENTS APPEAR TO BE 80,000-100,000 MT MAIZE AND SORGHUM, 30,000-40,000 MT RICE, 7,000-9,000 MT VEGATABLE OIL. GSDR CURRENTLY PREPARING ESTIMATE OF PORTIONS ABOVE NEEDED FOR FEEDING PROGRAMS, SUCH AS DROUGHT

AND REFUGEE RELIEF. ACCORDING WEIRAH, GSDR WOULD WELCOME VISIT
FFP OFFICER TO REVIEW REQUIREMENTS AND DETERMINE POSSIBILITY
US ASSISTANCE.

B. PARTICIPANT TRAINING: DESPITE SOME GSDR RELUCTANCE UTILIZE
US OR THIRD-COUNTRY TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES DUE DIFFICULTIES IN
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ASSURING RETURN TO SOMALIA OF TRAINEES, WE SUGGEST EMBASSY FURNISH
TO GSDR FURTHER DETAILS OF TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE UNDER
EXTSTING REGIONAL TRAINING PROJECT AND INDICATE AID WILLINGNESS
SUPPORT MODEST NUMBER PARTICIPANTS.

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C. RESEARCH, EXTENSION, TRAINING : SOMALI RESEARCH, EXTENSION AND TRAINING INSTITUTIONS RELATED TO FOOD PRODUCTION (CROP AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION, FISHERIES) GENERALLY WEAK AND BADLY NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT. CURRENT DONOR EFFORTS POORLY COORDINATED AND GENERALLY TOO SMALL TO BRING SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT. IN VIEW STRONG SOMALI INTEREST IN RENEWED US INVOLVEMENT THIS FIELD AND AVAILABILITY US EXPERTISE UNDER TITLE XII OR OTHER AUSPICES, COMPREHENSIVE RESEARCH/EXTENSION/EDUCATION PROJECT TO SUPPORT
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CROP, LIVESTOCK AND POSSIBLY MARINE FISH PRODUCTION MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE "CORE" ACTIVITY FOR US DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA. NUMBER COMPONENTS COULD BE INTEGRATED WITHIN ONE PROJECT TO PROVIDE ACTIVITY CAPABLE OF ABSORBING SUBSTANTIAL LEVELS OF FUNDING BUT REQUIREING LIMITED AID DIRECT-HIRE PRESENCE IN MOGADISCIO. TEAM PREPARING PRELIMINARY PID WITH SCOPE OF WORK FOR PROJECT TEAM. WEIRAH STATED THAT PROJECT TEAM IN THIS AREA WOULD BE WELCOMED BY GSDR, AND PROMISED FOLLOW-UP WITH RELEVANT MINISTRIES TO PREPARED STATEMENT OF SOMALI REQUIREMENTS.

D. RESOURCE INVENTORY: AVAILABLE LANDSAT IMAGERY COULD ASSIST SOMALIA IN INVENTORYING SOIL, WATER AND MINERAL RESOURCES. ALTHOUGH STRONG INTEREST EXPRESSED BY NUMBER OF MINISTRIES AND INDIVIDUALS, FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF ASSISTANCE THIS FIELD MUST AWAIT OFFICIAL GSDR INDICATION OF INTEREST. ANYTHING INVOLVING SATELLITES HAS OBVIOUS POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS FOR SOMALIA. IN EVENT GSDR INTERESTED, BELIEVE AID SHOULD BE PREPARED CONSIDER SUBSTANTIAL RESOURCE INVENTORY ACTIVITY USING AVAILABLE CONTRACT EXPERTISE.

E. HEALTH: HEALTH MINISTRY REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN EXPANDING PRIMARY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM DESERVES FURTHER CONSIDERATION. TEAM WAS NOT IN POSITION ASSESS HEALTH REQUIREMENTS AND WAS RELUCTANT SUGGEST PREPARATION WRITTEN PROPOSAL. SUGGEST BRIEF VISIT TO SOMALIA BY AID HEALTH SPECIALIST TO REVIEW MINISTRY PROGRAMS AND DESIRABILITY US INVOLVEMENT. WEIRAH STATED THAT SUCH VISIT WOULD BE WELCOME.

F. TSETSE CONTROL: UNDERSTAND PROPOSAL FOR LARGE-SCALE TSETSE CONTROL PROGRAM BEING PREPARED BY IBRD LIVESTOCK EXPERT (RMEA/ NAIROBI). SINCE PROPOSAL NOT DISCUSSED AT LENGTH, TEAM WAS UNABLE GUAGE GSDR INTEREST POSSIBLE US INVOLVEMENT, ALTHOUGH TSETSE CONTROL MENTIONED BY LIVESTOCK MINISTRY AS AREA IN WHICH ASSISTANCE NEEDED. TEAM PLANS DISCUSS WITH IBRD REPS IN NAIROBI. IBRD REP SOMALIA (CACHO) NOTED THAT FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS MAY BE FAIRLY SUBSTANTIAL (UP TO DOLS 20 MILLION) AND COULD PROBABLY NOT BE
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ACCOMMODATED WITHIN IBRD LENDING LEVEL FOR SOMALIA.

8. AMBASSADOR ENQUIRED ABOUT GSDR INTEREST IN RENEWED VOLUNTARY AGENCY ACTIVITIES IN SOMALIA. WEIRAH REPLIED THIS COULD BE DISCUSSED SEPARATELY.

9. GULICK ALERTED WEIRAH TO PROBLEMS OF DELINQUENT SDB SAFCO LOANS AND SUGGESTED WORKING WITH EMBASSY TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS.

10. TEAM LEFT MOGADISCO MORNING JUNE 2 FOR NAIROBI.
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